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*Prospect of sanitary work being discontinued—Scarcity of water.*

During the week ended February 20, 1904, bills of health were issued to 6 vessels bound for the United States and Porto Rico.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.

The insular government persists in its refusal to help the municipalities (except Habana) in the sanitary work. Santiago is making a great effort to keep up this work, but it has no more funds available, and it would not be surprising if next month this municipality had to give up and dismiss its employees.

The water is already getting scarce. Day before yesterday pumping water into the reservoir was begun, as it no longer flows in.

*Mortality report for week ended February 20, 1904.*

Causes of death.	Number.	Bertillon number.
Hæmoglobinuric fever.....	1	4
Erysipelas.....	1	18
Tubercle of lungs.....	1	27
Cancer of uterus.....	1	42
Cancer of spleen.....	1	45
Organic heart disease.....	1	79
Arterio sclerosis.....	1	81
Gastro-enteritis (under 2 years).....	1	105
Enteritis, chronic.....	1	105a
Intestinal occlusion.....	1	108
Persistence of foramen ovale.....	1	150
Congenital debility.....	1	151
Ill defined.....	1	179
Total.....	13	.....

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 14.85 per 1,000. Estimated population, 45,500.

EGYPT.

*Pilgrimage to the Hedjaz.*

[Translated in this bureau from the Bulletin Quarantenaire, Alexandria, January 14 and 28, 1904.]

From a dispatch received by the Egyptian sanitary authorities from the delegate of the quarantine council, it appears that the number of pilgrims that have arrived at Djeddah during the present season is 22,000, and that the health of the city is good.

*Measures prescribed by the Ottoman Government with regard to pilgrim vessels passing through the Suez Canal, in voluntary quarantine, from north to south.*

Pilots and sanitary guards who board said vessels shall be previously disinfected at Port Said. Statement shall be made on bill of health.

GERMANY.

*Report from Berlin—Death rate of Berlin and other cities.*

Consul-General Mason reports, February 10 and 12, as follows:

The death rate of Berlin for the week ended January 23 was lower than it has been for four months, amounting, calculated on the year,